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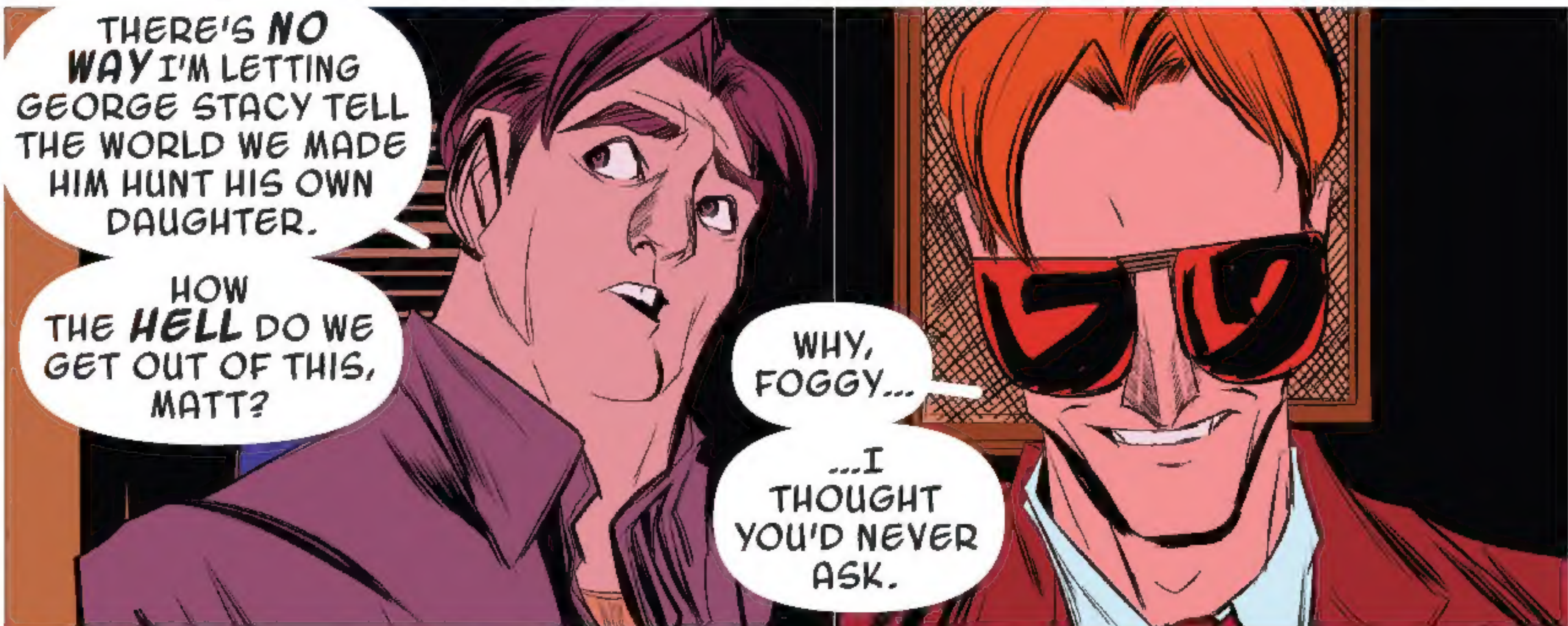
SPIDER-GWEN™



AS A TEENAGER, GWEN STACY WAS BITTEN BY A MUTATED SPIDER. THE BITE TRANSFORMED HER, GRANTING HER AMAZING POWERS: A PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER, ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES, AND THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED AND STRENGTH OF A SPIDER. TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEW YORK, SHE IS THE DANGEROUS VIGILANTE CALLED SPIDER-WOMAN, BUT YOU KNOW HER AS...

SPIDER-GWEN

PREVIOUSLY...



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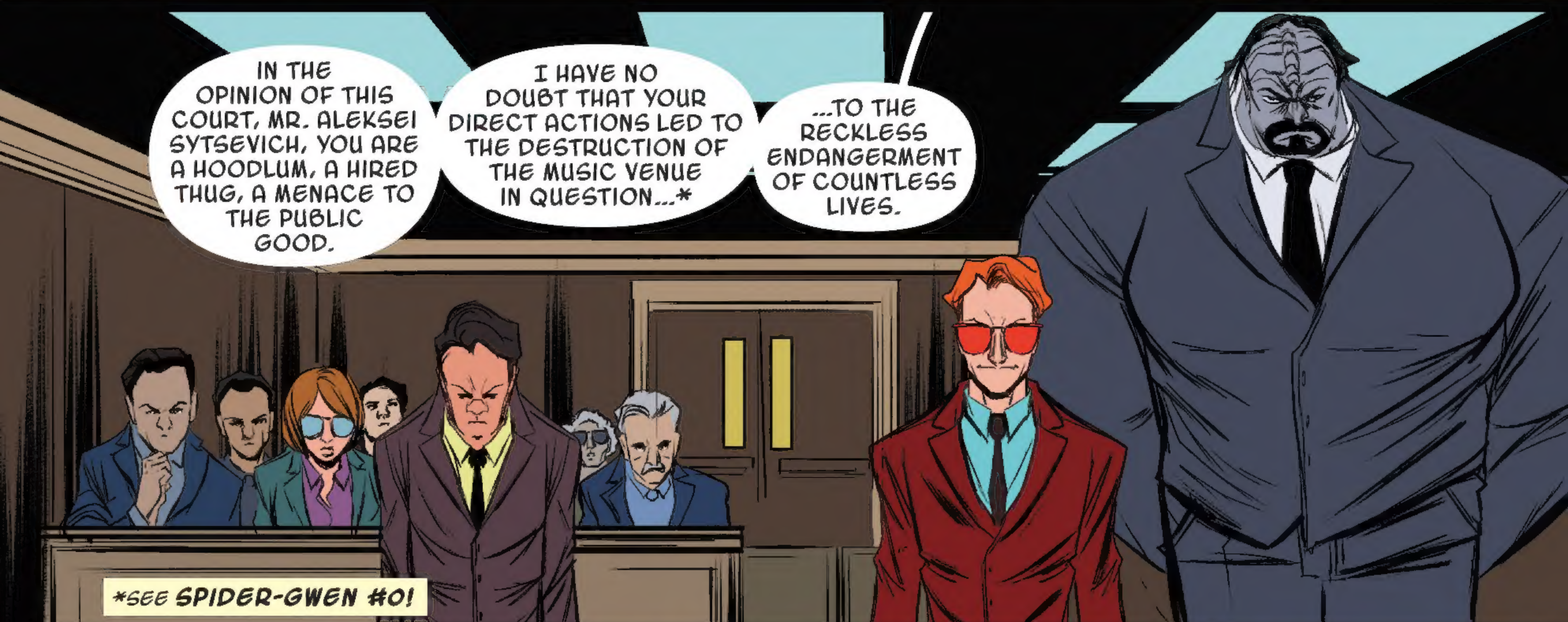
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I MUST ADMIT THAT I AM NEARLY AT A LOSS.

IN ALL MY YEARS ON THIS BENCH, I HAVE NEVER SEEN MORE CONCRETE EVIDENCE OF A SUSPECT'S GUILT.



IN THE OPINION OF THIS COURT, MR. ALEKSEI SYTSEVICH, YOU ARE A HOODLUM, A HIRED THUG, A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC GOOD.

I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT YOUR DIRECT ACTIONS LED TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE MUSIC VENUE IN QUESTION...*

...TO THE RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT OF COUNTLESS LIVES.

*SEE SPIDER-GWEN #0!



I HOLD EVEN LESS DOUBT THAT YOU DID SO AS AN ACT OF REVENGE AGAINST CAPTAIN GEORGE STACY...

...FOR HIS ROLE IN THE IMPRISONMENT OF WILSON FISK, THE FORMER KINGPIN OF CRIME!



YOUR INITIAL DEFENSE THAT YOU WERE JUST, QUOTE, "PARTYING LIKE A ROCK STAR"...

...IS THE MOST ABSURD AND APPALLING INSULT TO MY INTELLIGENCE I HAVE **EVER** SUFFERED.

AND YET...



...IN LIGHT OF
THE MISHANDLING
OF KEY EVIDENCE BY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
NELSON'S
OFFICE...

...COUPLED
WITH DETECTIVE
DEWOLFF'S SWORN
ADMISSION...



"...OF CAPTAIN FRANK
CASTLE'S VILE AND
CRIMINAL ABUSE OF
YOUR RIGHTS DURING
YOUR ARREST..."



...I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO CHOKE
BACK MY NEED TO VOMIT ALL OVER
THESE ROBES...

...AND
DEEM THIS CASE A
MISTRIAL.

ALEKSEI
SYTSEVICH...



...YOU
ARE **FREE**
TO GO.

SLAM!



"...YOUR TAB COMES DUE."

<YOU
HEARD
ME...>

MADRIPOOR.

<...YOUR BENTO
BOXES OR YOUR
LIFE, PAL!>*

=YAWN=

<SORRY,
BUDDY. ALL
OUT OF BENTOS.
DORAYAKI ARE
TWO FOR ONE,
THOUGH.>

*TRANSLATED FROM
MADRIPOORIAN.

<DORAYAKI?
DORAYAKI?!>

<I'M THE
BENTO BANDIT!
BEN-TO!>

CAN YOU
BELIEVE THIS,
HARRY?

THERE'S
ANOTHER--WAIT--
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING?

MAKING
THE MOST OF
THIS.

OH. MY.
GOD.

THERE'S
TWO OF
THEM?

C'MON,
GWEN! LET'S
GO!

<ALL RIGHT,
FINE! YOUR **MOCHI**
OR YOUR-->

HEY!

HARRY...

"...WAIT!"

PREDATORS
PART 3
LATOUR
RODRIGUEZ
RENZI
COWLES

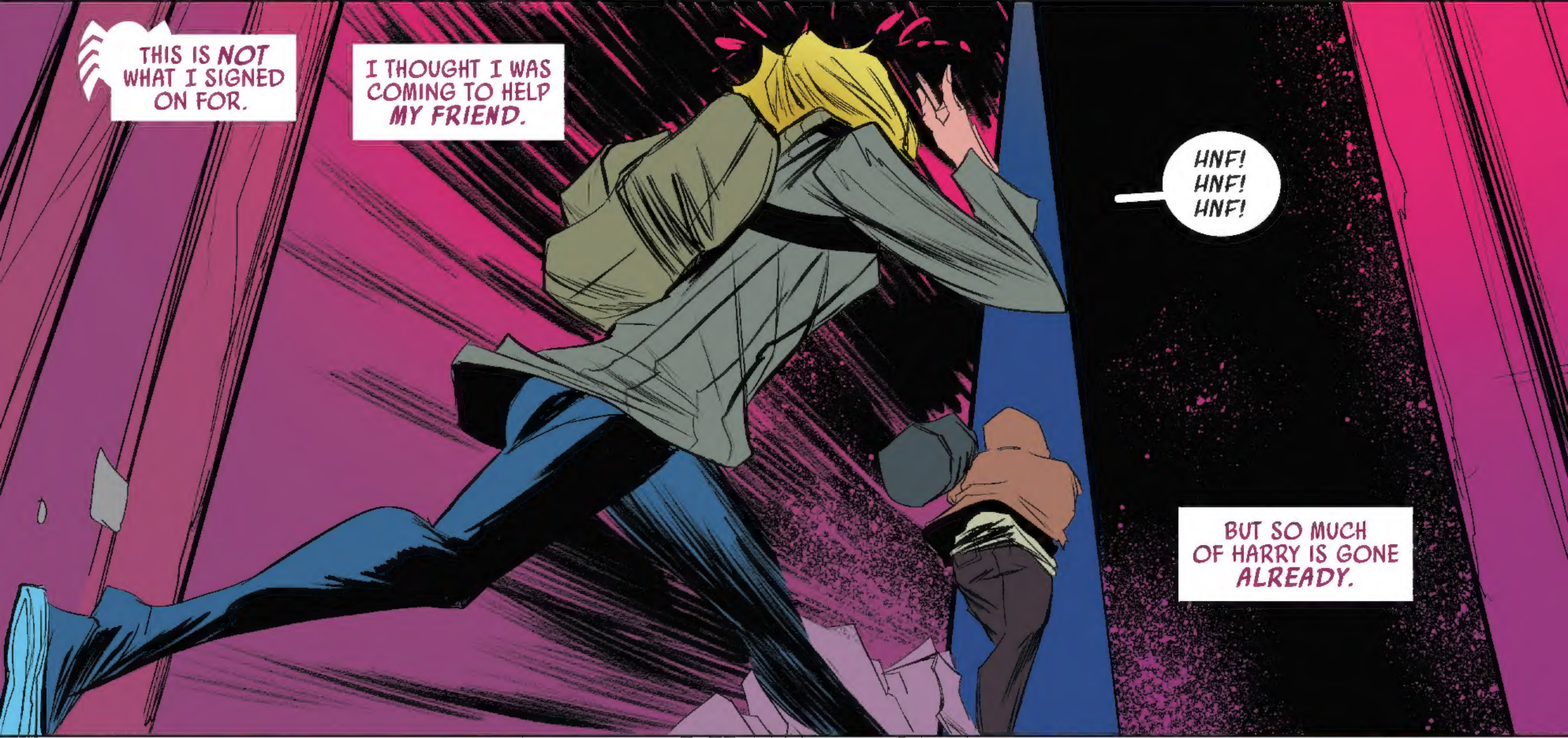


THIS IS NOT
WHAT I SIGNED
ON FOR.

I THOUGHT I WAS
COMING TO HELP
MY FRIEND.

HNF!
HNF!
HNF!

BUT SO MUCH
OF HARRY IS GONE
ALREADY.



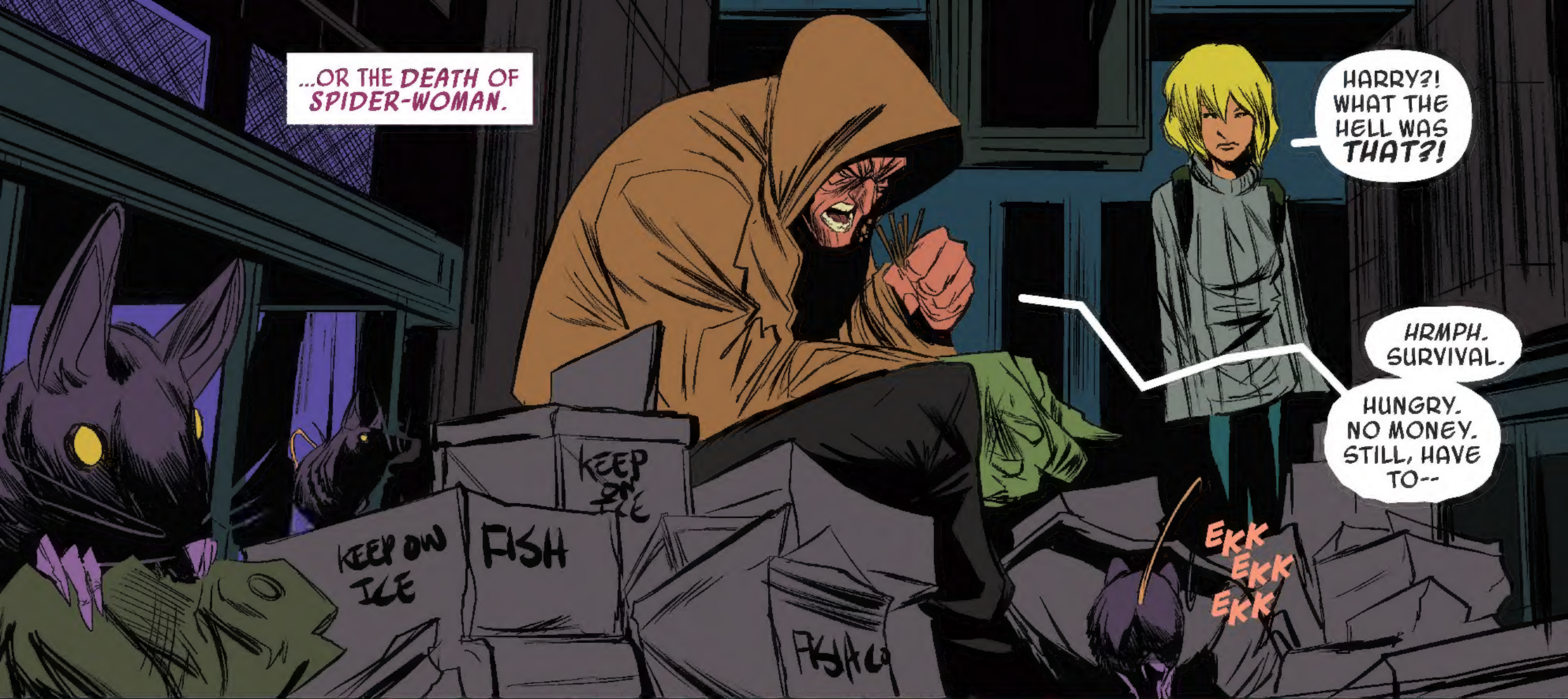
I COULD BARELY KEEP UP WITH HIM WHEN I HAD
MURDOCK'S UNLIMITED **POWER-UP** SUPPLY.

RRRNH!

RRRNK!

WITHOUT IT, I DON'T
KNOW WHAT SCARES ME
MORE--THE **REBIRTH**
OF THE **LIZARD**...





...OR THE DEATH OF SPIDER-WOMAN.

HARRY?!
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT?!

HRMPH.
SURVIVAL.

HUNGRY.
NO MONEY.
STILL, HAVE TO--

EKK
EKK
EKK



RRRGH!

HARRY!



HARRY,
LISTEN TO ME--
YOU CAN'T JUST
DO THINGS
LIKE--

--LIKE
THIS!

RRNNGH!



WE STICK
OUT LIKE TWO
SORE THUMBS
HERE, OKAY?

WITH THOSE
S.H.I.E.L.D.
BOUNTY HUNTERS?
AND THE **NINJAS**
THAT **MURDOCK**
SENT?

WE
CAN'T RISK
THEM CATCHING
OUR SCENT FROM
SOMETHING STUPID
LIKE STOLEN
ENERGY
DRINKS.



THERE'S GOT TO BE AN EASIER WAY OUT OF THIS.

RRNGH. FINE.

MORE FOR ME.

IF WE'RE GOING TO RUN...

NOM
NOM
NOM



...MAYBE WE SHOULD REALLY RUN.

BUST DAD OUT. OPEN THE GATEWAY.

RUN TO JESSICA. OR MILES.

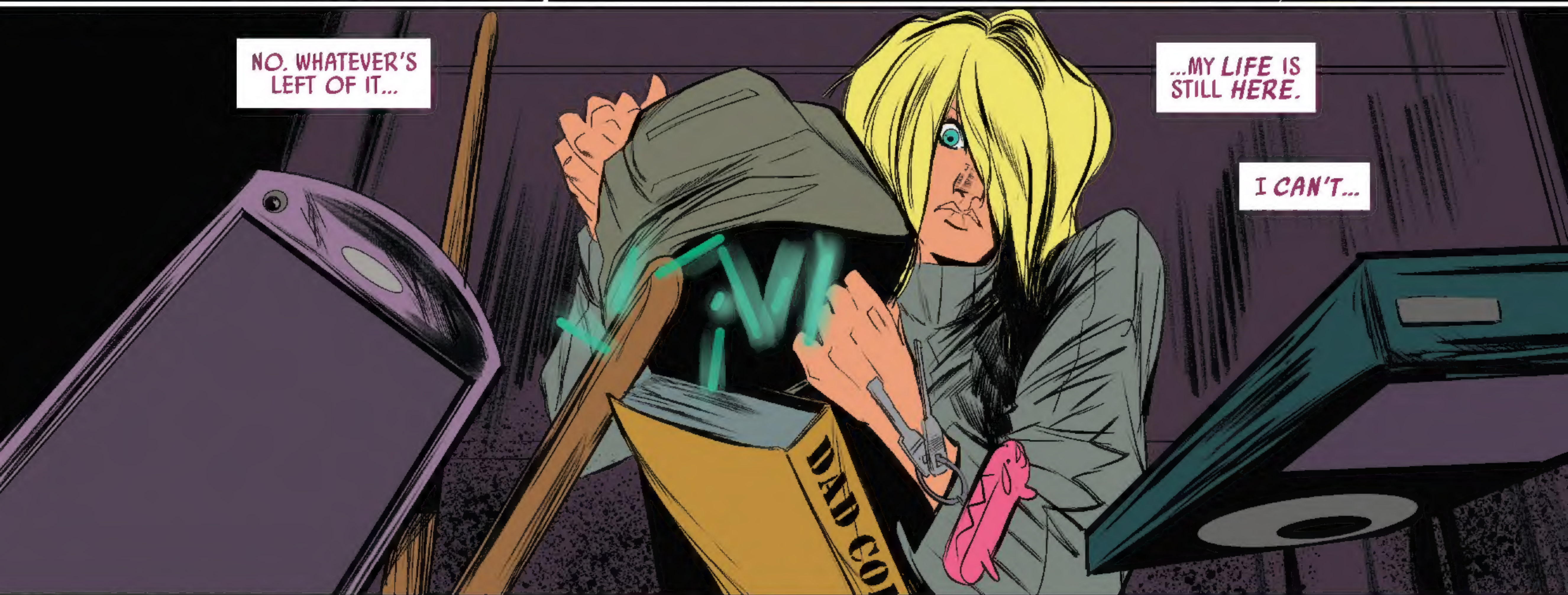
NOM
NOM
NOM

OR EVEN THAT WEIRD GERIATRIC SPIDER-HAM ON EARTH-8...



GOD. THIS IS MY LIFE?

AM I REALLY CONSIDERING SAFE HAVEN FROM A TALKING PIG?

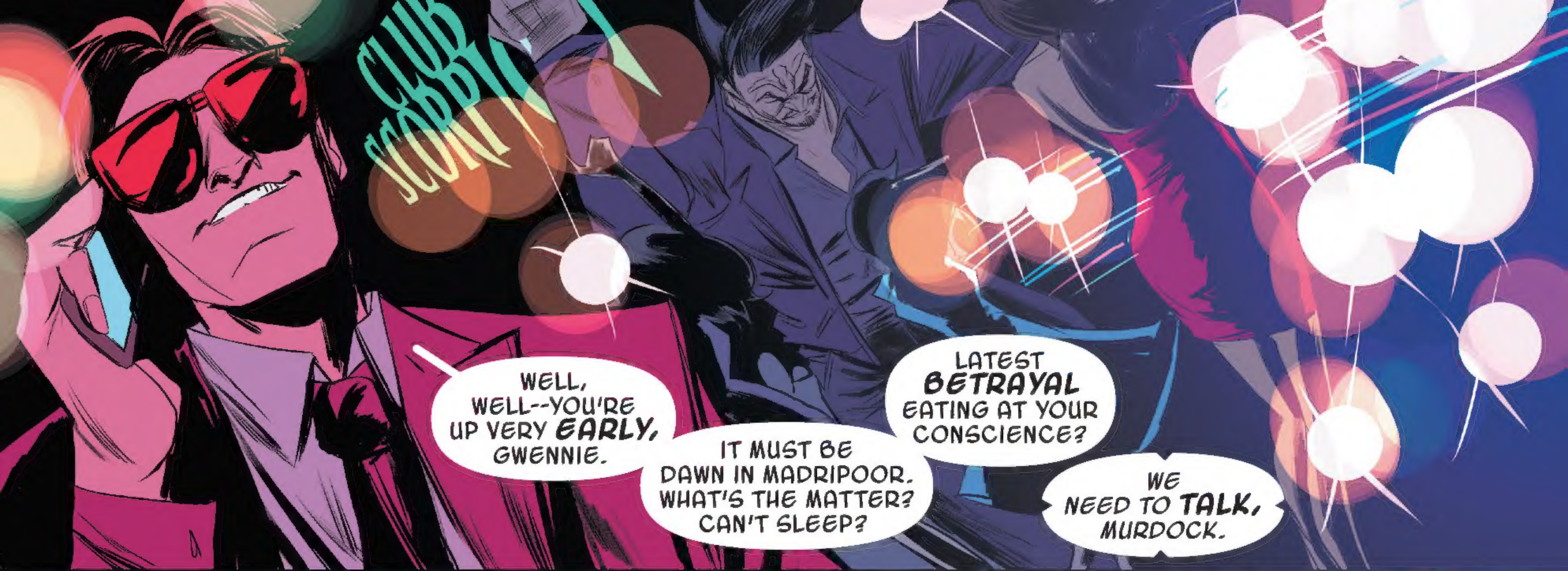


NO. WHATEVER'S LEFT OF IT...

...MY LIFE IS STILL HERE.

I CAN'T...





WELL,
WELL--YOU'RE
UP VERY **EARLY**,
GWENNIE.

IT MUST BE
DAWN IN MADRIPPOOR.
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
CAN'T SLEEP?

LATEST
BETRAYAL
EATING AT YOUR
CONSCIENCE?

WE
NEED TO **TALK**,
MURDOCK.



TALK? MY, MY,
GWEN. YOU'VE ONLY
FACED A SINGLE WAVE
OF MY **HAND**
NINJAS.

DON'T
TELL ME YOU'RE
SCARED OF LITTLE
OLD LOGAN.

OH,
@#*& YOU,
MURDOCK.

YOU KNEW
S.H.I.E.L.D.
SENT THAT
MANIAC AFTER
HARRY!



HEH. GIRL.
OF COURSE
I DID.

BUT MY
DEAR, PRECIOUS
GWENZELLE. SOME THINGS
YOU JUST DON'T BELIEVE
UNTIL YOU SEE THEM
WITH YOUR OWN
EYES...

...LIKE THE
PROOF THAT EVEN
S.H.I.E.L.D. WANTS
HARRY OSBORN'S
HEAD.



SO NOW
THAT YOU'VE
FINALLY SEEN
THE **TRUE**
STAKES--

--I HOPE
YOU REALIZE
THAT YOU'RE ALL
ALONE OUT
THERE NOW.

NOW?!

AS IF YOU
EVER PLANNED ON
HONORING OUR
DEAL!

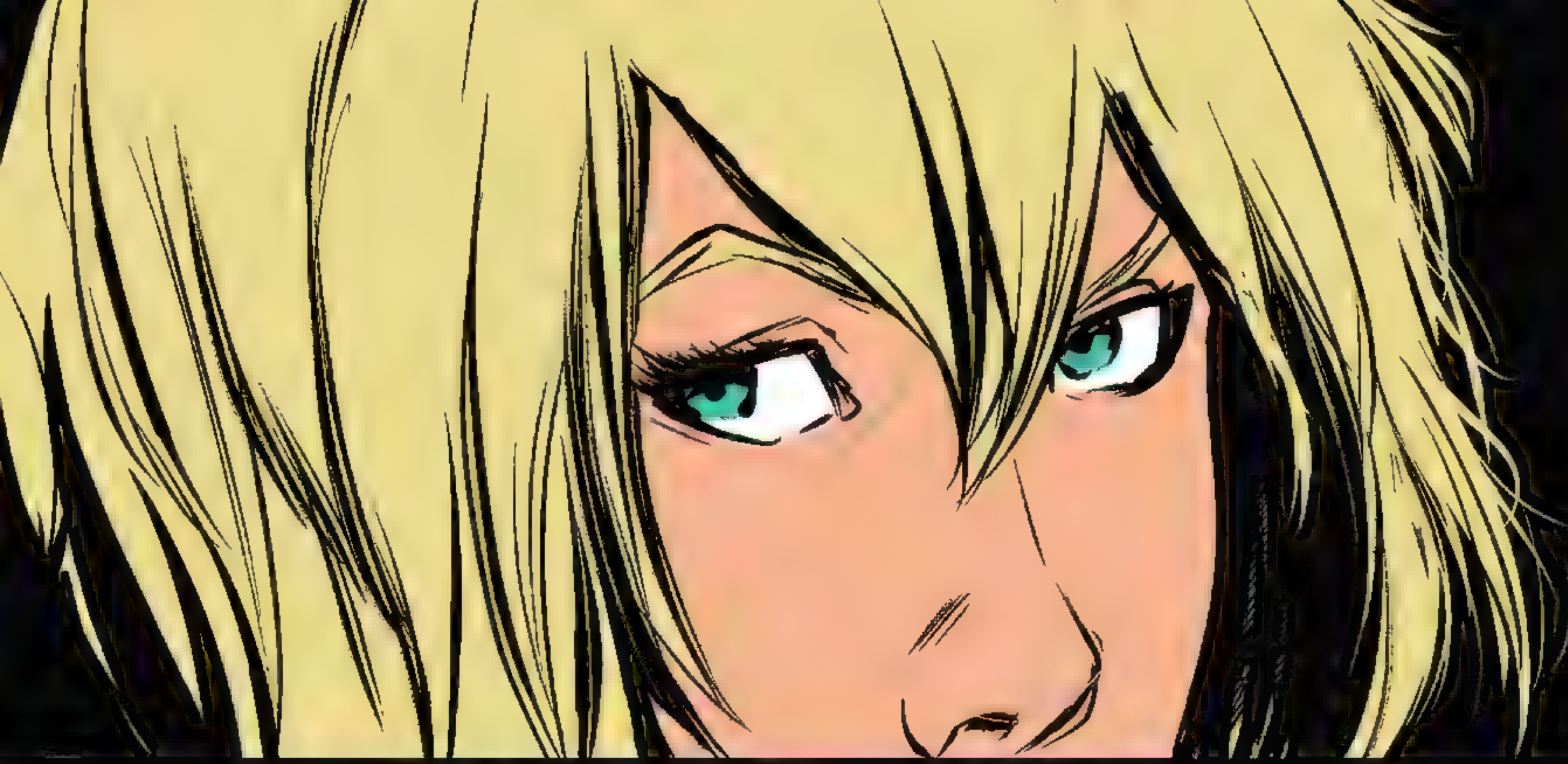
RRRGNNNGH.



S.H.I.E.L.D.
WILL DISSECT
YOUR LITTLE FRIEND
HARRY. DICE HIM LIKE
A TOMATO.

I'VE **SHOWN**
YOU PROOF OF A
CURE. OF YOUR
ONLY HOPE.

TWO STRIKES,
GWENNIE. COME
TO YOUR SENSES
NOW AND WE'LL
CALL THIS A
FOUL BALL.



NO.
I DON'T
TRUST
YOU. I'M NOT
BUYING
IT.
HARRY'S
SAFER WITH
ME.



AND THOSE
COPS BACK HOME?
YEAH, THEY **FEAR** AND
HATE SPIDER-
WOMAN...

...BUT ENOUGH
OF THEM STILL **LOVE**
AND **RESPECT** THEIR
CAPTAIN.

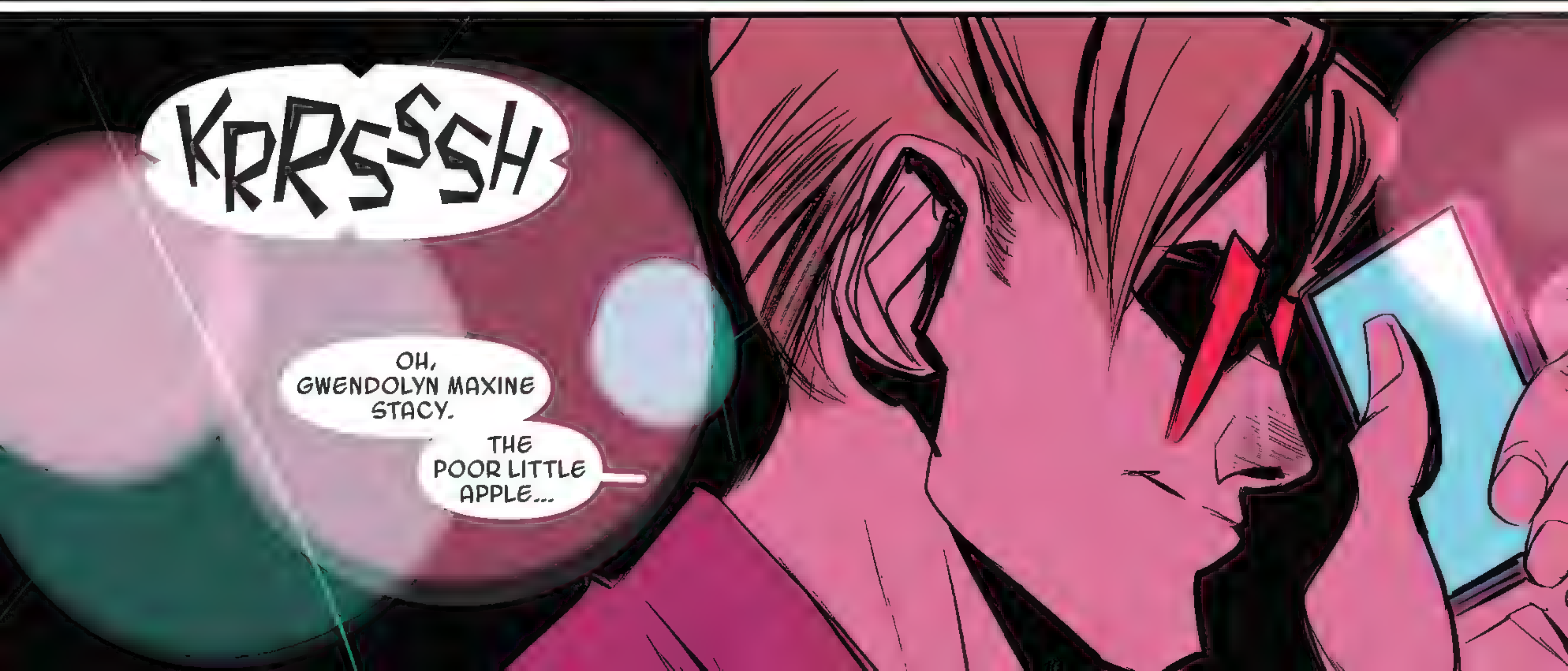
THEY'LL
PROTECT MY
DAD. MAKE SURE
ONE OF THEIR OWN
GETS A FAIR
SHAKE.



HEH. AND
WHAT DO YOU SAY,
OSBORN?

ANY BRAIN
CELLS LEFT
IN THAT THICK
SKULL OF--

RRAAARRRGH!



KRRSSSH

OH,
GWENDOLYN MAXINE
STACY.

THE
POOR LITTLE
APPLE...

"...WHO FELL WITH HER TREE."

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D ACTUALLY **SEE** THIS...

...SEE **YOU** IN HERE, GEORGE.

NEW YORK CITY.

YEAH. IT'S GOTTEN A LITTLE BIT MESSY, HASN'T IT, DEWOLFF?

"MESSY"? HEH.

THIS MAKES MY FRESHMAN DORM LOOK LIKE BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

I SUPPOSE. BUT I'M TRYING TO MAKE PEACE WITH THIS, JEAN.

WITH THE FACT THAT EVEN IF THINGS WORK OUT...

...THEY'LL NEVER BE THE SAME.

HEH. "THE SAME"? YEAH, RIGHT. THE GOOD OLE DAYS.

LOOK...IT'S NO SECRET I'VE WRESTLED WITH WHERE I STAND ON **SPIDER-WOMAN**, OKAY?


AND **YOU** DAMN SURE HAVEN'T MADE THAT EASY, GEORGE.

BUT SOMETHING HAPPENED IN THAT COURTROOM TODAY... AND...

...MATT MURDOCK AND FOGGY NELSON ARE UP TO SOMETHING **SHADY**.

SOME REAL BIPARTISAN DIRTBAGGERY. I CAN JUST FEEL IT...I THINK I SAW IT.

YOU'RE NOT SAFE IN HERE, GEORGE.



THIS IS
A HOLDING CELL,
DEWOLFF. NOT A
PRISON.

THIS IS
STILL AMERICA.
I'LL STILL HAVE A
TRIAL. A CHANCE
TO--

OH, COME
ON! YOU THINK
I DON'T **KNOW**
THAT STICK-IT-TO-THE-
MAN, BILLY-THE-KID
TWINKLE IN YOUR
EYES?!

YOU'RE ONLY
IN HERE BECAUSE
YOU **WANT** TO BE,
GEORGE.



THEY
DON'T HAVE
ANYTHING
REAL ON
YOU.

AND WE
BOTH KNOW THEY
DON'T KNOW WHAT
TO **DO** ABOUT
THAT.


BUT THEY
DO KNOW YOU
PLAN ON TELLING
THE TRUTH ABOUT
SPIDER-WOMAN,
UNDER OATH AND
LIVE ON TV...



DIFFERENCE IS,
OUT THERE THEY CAN'T
CONTROL IT.

BUT IN HERE,
YOU'RE PLAYING
THEIR GAME.

YOU
DON'T **NEED** THIS
DAMN TRIAL TO TELL THE
WORLD THE **TRUTH**,
GEORGE.



JEAN, THE
ONLY WAY ANYONE
WILL EVER BELIEVE
ME...

...IS IF
THEY **KNOW** I
HAVE SOMETHING
TO **LOSE**.

IT HAS TO
BE CLEAR THAT
BEING HONEST PUTS
ME AT MORE **RISK**
THAN A LIE.



I NEED
PEOPLE TO
LOOK INTO **MY**
EYES.

I
NEED THEM TO
SEE...

"...THAT I TRULY
HAVE **NOTHING**
TO HIDE."

I
DON'T LIKE
IT.

FEELS LIKE
A BIG FAT DONUT-
EATING TRAP.

**OF
COURSE**
IT'S A TRAP, GWEN.
WHICH IS WHY WE
SHOULD SPLIT
UP.

NAH. NO WAY,
BUSTER.

S.H.I.E.L.D.'S
NOT AFTER ME
AND MURDOCK KNOWS
I GOTTA GO HOME
EVENTUALLY. HIS NINJAS
WILL CHASE YOU,
TOO.

SO
YOU'LL NEED A
BETTER BAD PLAN
IF YOU WANNA
DITCH ME...

GWEN.

THIS
"CURE" MURDOCK
HAS...

...HOW DOES
IT WORK? WHY
DO THEY NEED
YOU?

CINDY MOON
UNLOCKED THE
GENETIC CODE OF
AN ALIEN "SPIDER"
AND USED IT TO
CREATE MY
POWERS.

PETER AND
DR. CONNORS USED
HER RESEARCH TO
CREATE THE LIZARD
MUTAGEN.

SO OUR
MUTATIONS...ARE
LINKED?

YEAH...
I GUESS THE
RADIATION IN MY
POWER-UPS HAS A
STRANGE EFFECT
ON THE LIZARD
DNA.

DRAWS
IT OUT OF ITS HOST.
MUTATES IT INTO SOME
NEEDY BLACK
GOOP.

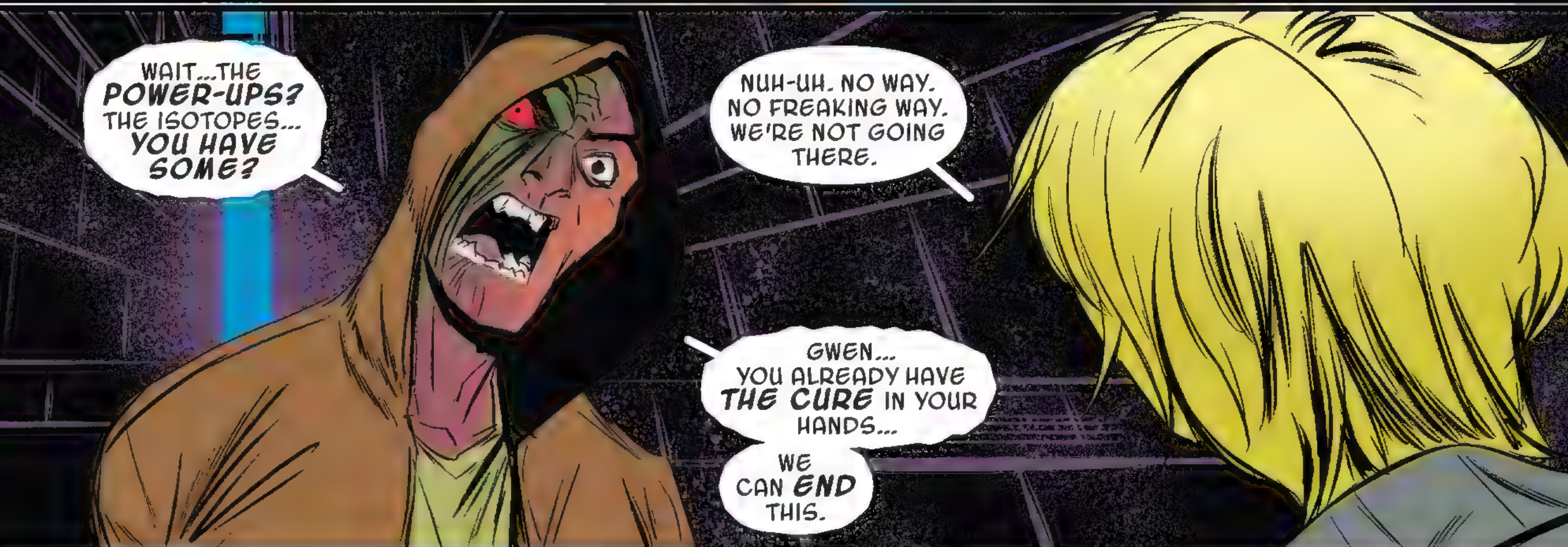
AND SINCE
I'M IMMUNE TO
THE RADIATION--
I'M THE ONLY ONE
IT CAN BOND
WITH WITHOUT
KILLING.



SO WE'RE
CURSED TO BE
LIKE THIS?

TO BE DRAWN
TOGETHER--

CURSED?
HARRY...WHAT
ARE YOU--

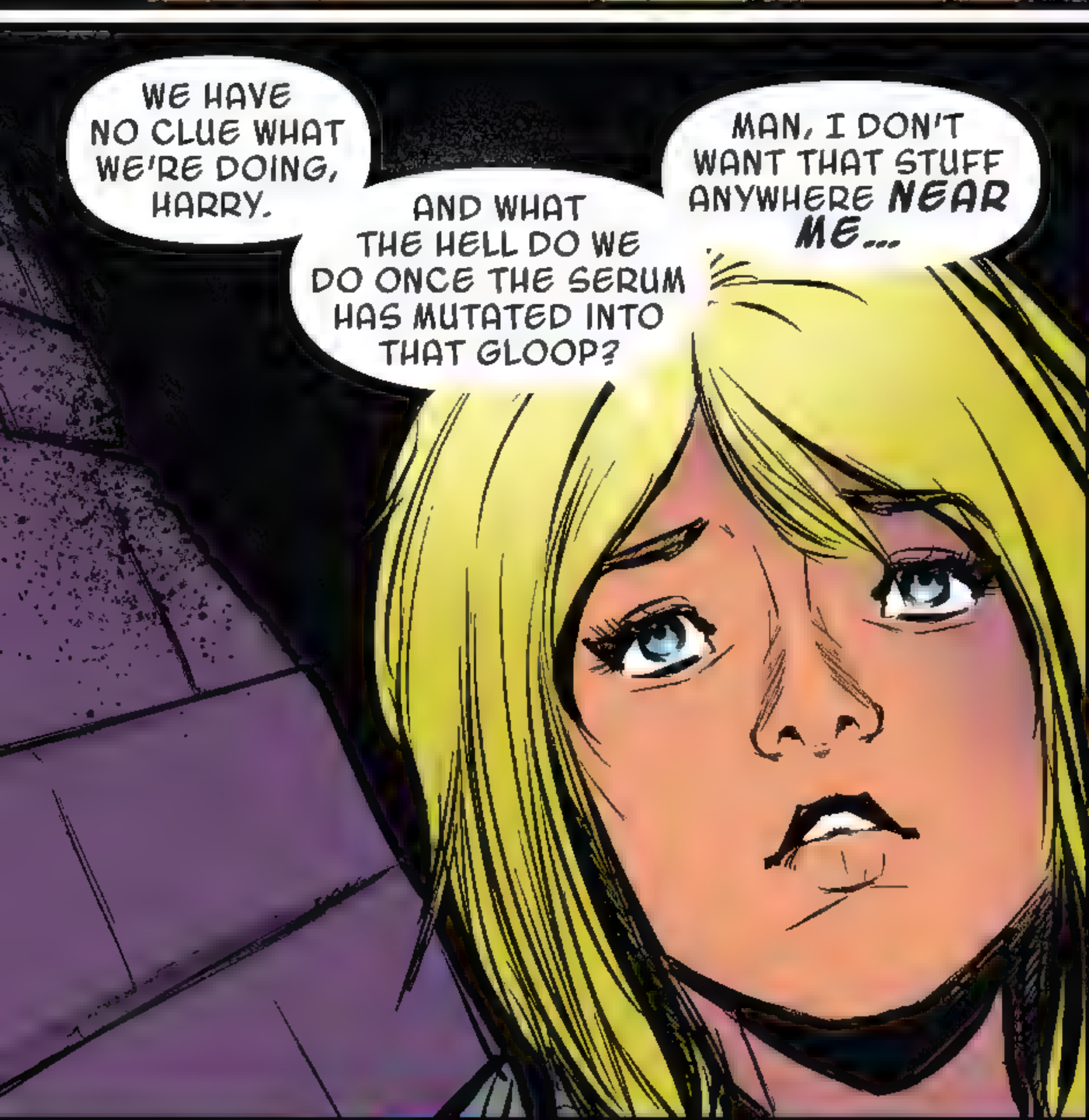


WAIT...THE
POWER-UPS?
THE ISOTOPES...
**YOU HAVE
SOME?**

NUH-UH. NO WAY.
NO FREAKING WAY.
WE'RE NOT GOING
THERE.

GWEN...
YOU ALREADY HAVE
THE CURE IN YOUR
HANDS...

WE
CAN **END**
THIS.



WE HAVE
NO CLUE WHAT
WE'RE DOING,
HARRY.

AND WHAT
THE HELL DO WE
DO ONCE THE SERUM
HAS MUTATED INTO
THAT GLOOP?

MAN, I DON'T
WANT THAT STUFF
ANYWHERE **NEAR
ME...**



LOOK, MAYBE
WE CAN TALK TO REED
OR FIND A SCIENTIST
ON JESSICA'S--

NO! WHAT
MAKES YOU THINK
WE CAN TRUST
ANYONE?!

YOU
SAW HOW BAD
EVERYONE WANTS
WHAT'S IN MY
BLOOD...

HARRY...
SLOW DOWN.
YOU'RE NOT
THINKING
STR--



**I
AM THINKING
STRAIGHT!**

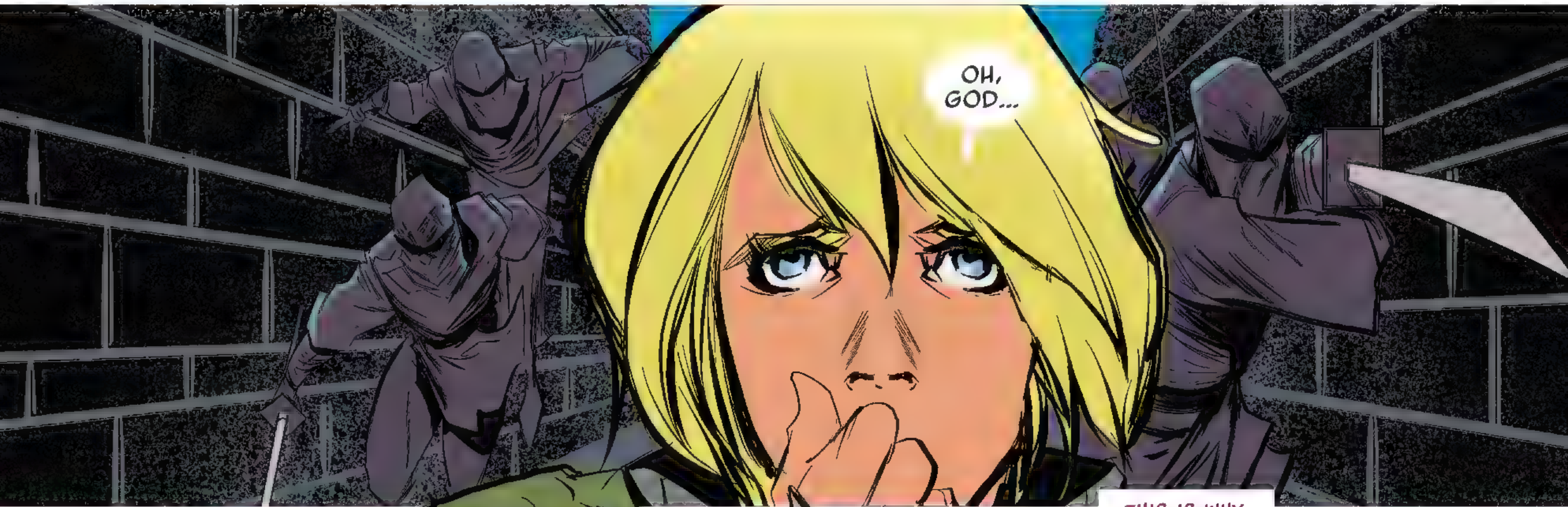
I'M
TURNING INTO A
MONSTER,
GWEN!



HARRY,
I'M DOING
EVERYTHING I CAN...
I **SWEAR** TO
YOU...

...BUT EVEN
IF WE **COULD**
DO THIS NOW, IT WILL
TURN THE SERUM IN
YOUR BODY INTO
THE **VENOM**...

...AND
THEN I--



OH,
GOD...



THIS IS WHY
MURDOCK
SENT ME HERE.

RRRARRGGGH!



THIS IS EXACTLY
WHAT HE WANTED...

RRRARRRRRRR!

NGF!



THERE'S NO
WAY TO SAVE
US BOTH.

THAT'S WHAT THIS
WHOLE TWISTED
GAME IS ABOUT...



IT'S THE LIZARD OR
SPIDER-WOMAN...

STAND
DOWN.

THE
BOY IS
OURS.

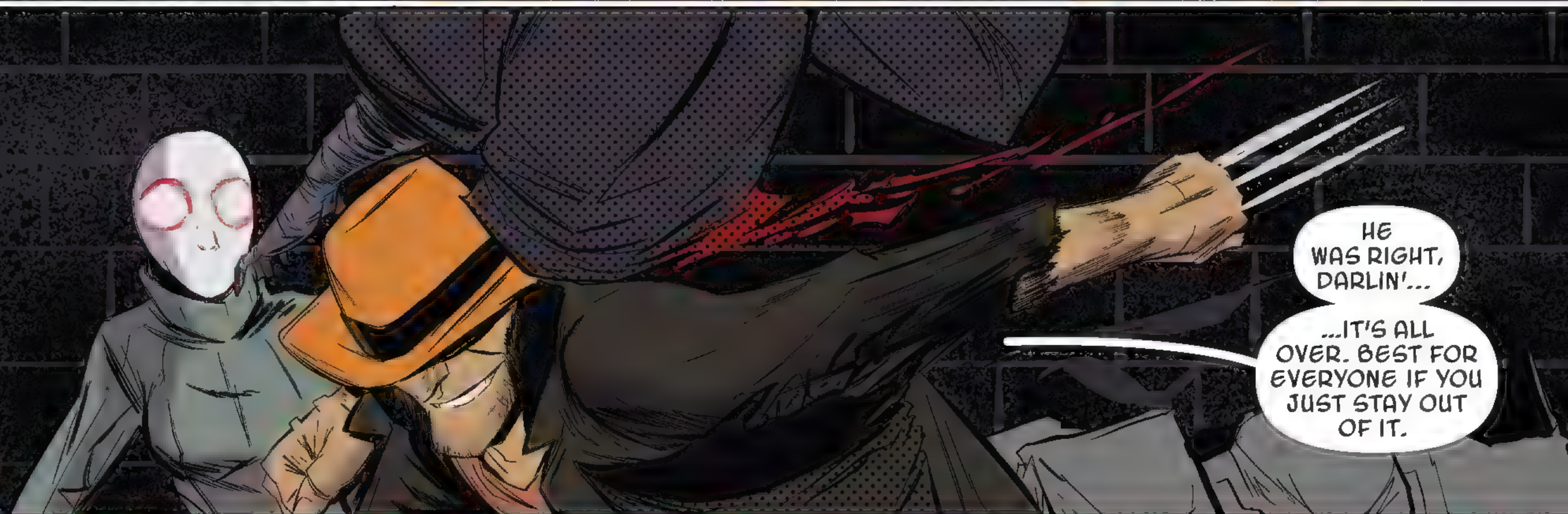


IT
IS FOR THE
BEST.

...AND I HAVE
TO CHOOSE.

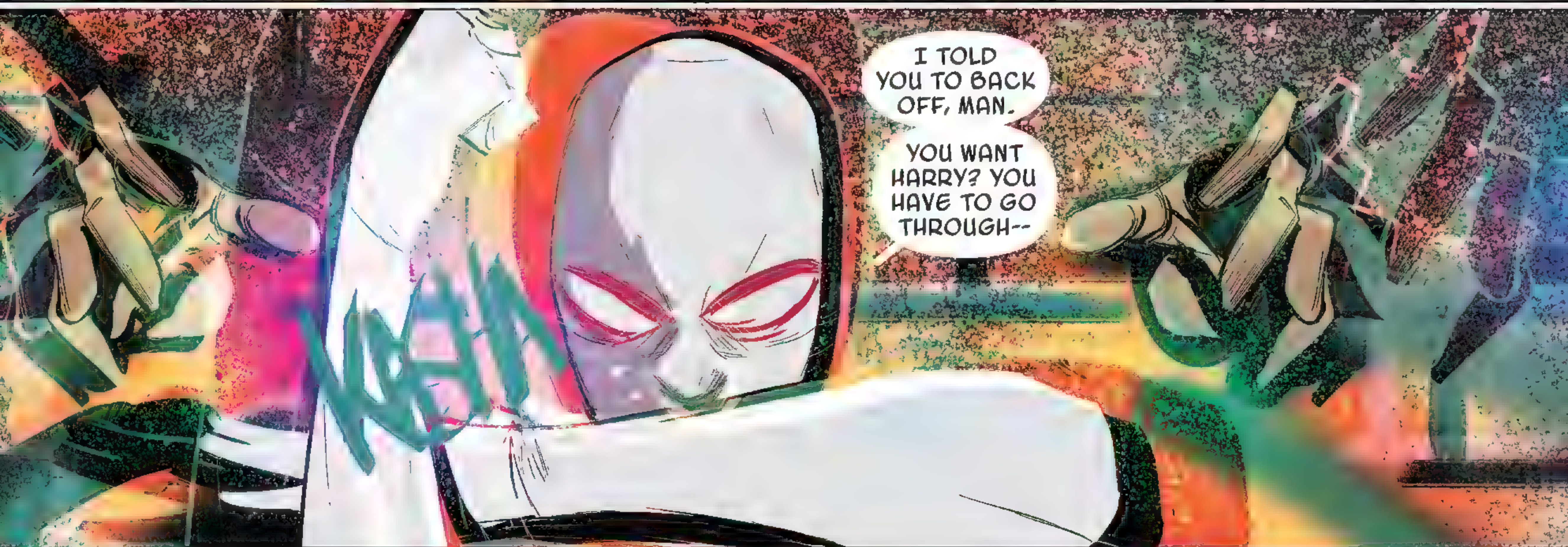


LOGAN!



HE
WAS RIGHT,
DARLIN'...

...IT'S ALL
OVER. BEST FOR
EVERYONE IF YOU
JUST STAY OUT
OF IT.



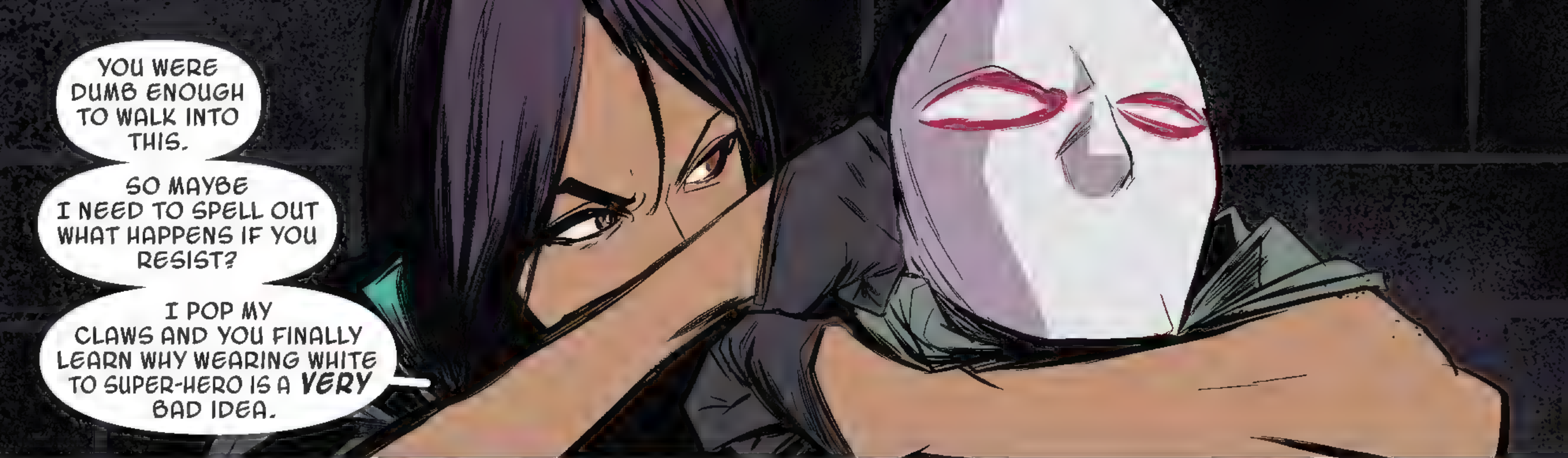
I TOLD
YOU TO BACK
OFF, MAN.

YOU WANT
HARRY? YOU
HAVE TO GO
THROUGH--



THROUGH
WHO? YOU?

HGGK!



YOU WERE DUMB ENOUGH TO WALK INTO THIS.

SO MAYBE I NEED TO SPELL OUT WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU RESIST?

I POP MY CLAWS AND YOU FINALLY LEARN WHY WEARING WHITE TO SUPER-HERO IS A **VERY** BAD IDEA.



NICELY DONE, KIT KAT.

WHAT'D I TELL YA? TWO HEADS'RE BETTER THAN ONE...

WHATEVER, OLD MAN.

LOSE OSBORN AND YOU'LL LOSE YOURS.



YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING...

MURDOCK... HE'S PLAYING **ALL** OF US!

AWW, DON'T YOU WORRY NONE, PRECIOUS. THE PROFESSIONALS ARE HERE.



BE GRATEFUL. WE GOT THIS...

IT'S FINALLY OUT
OF YOUR HANDS.

MANHATTAN.

NEW YORK POLICE
DEPARTMENT

CH-CHNGK

NNH?

WHAT?
WHAT IN--?

ALEKSEI?

WHAT IN
THE HELL IS
HE DOING
IN HERE?



SON... LISTEN TO ME...THIS MAN TRIED TO **KILL** ME ONCE ALREADY.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE **KINGPIN** HAS ON YOU, BUT--

KINGPIN? DON'T KNOW ANY KINGPIN. THIS MAN KICKED OVER A PARKING METER.

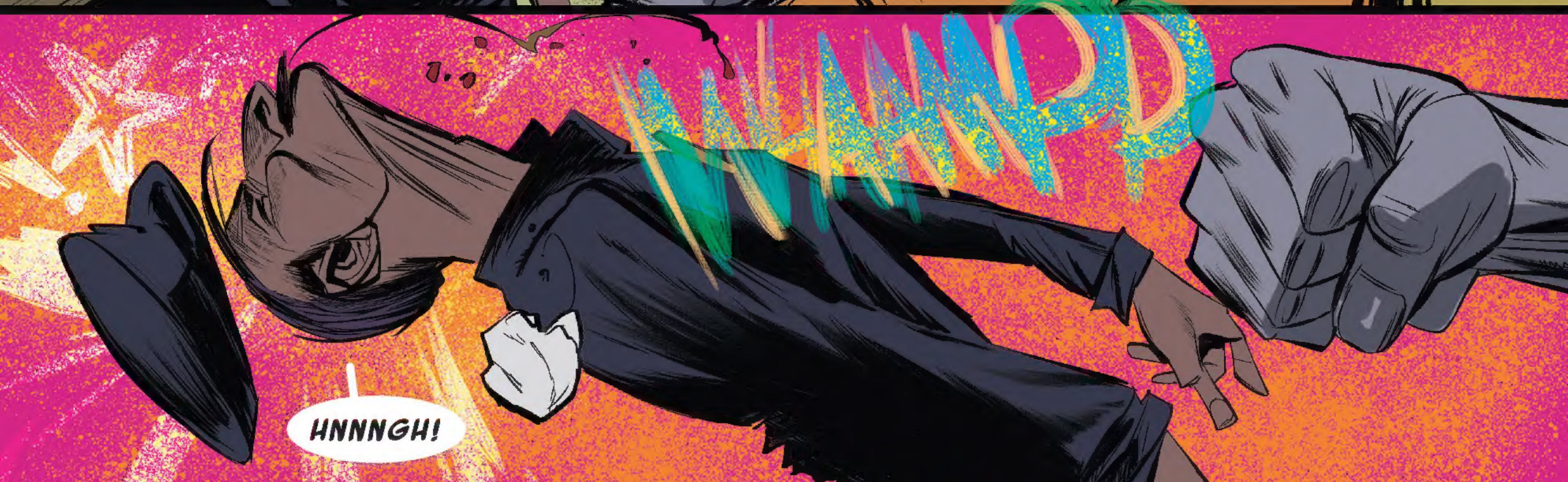
JUST DOING MY **JOB**. FOLLOWING **ORDERS**.



LIKE **YOU** SHOULD HAVE FOLLOWED **YOURS**, CAPTAIN.



ALL RIGHT. MAKE IT LOOK GOOD. BUT NOT TOO--



HNNNGH!



CAPTAIN... CAPTAIN... CAPTAIN...

PARTY HAS BEEN FUN, NO? BUT NOW...

...MURDOCK
SAYS TAB IS
DUE.

TO BE CONTINUED...

SPIDER-GWEN

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ON SALE NEXT MONTH!

